



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

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The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **03-Mar-06** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	55.00	57.50	50.50	59.50	55.79
Last week	52.00	50.50	43.50	51.50	49.44

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 03-Mar-06:

New York 73-77 **Midwest** 53-61 **California** 94

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 27-Feb-06 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	102.1	357.7	111.0	162.1	231.5	964.4	230.9	1195.3
% change PW	-5	+5	-13	-12	1	-3	0	-2

Breaking Stock 03-Mar-06 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	25-27	24-30 M 24-27
Checks & Undergrades	14-18 M 14-16	12-19 M 13-17

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **25-Feb-06**. Lbs. in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,274,693	32,252	11,498	6,164	2,902	4,387
Previous Week	1,277,719	31,341	12,671	6,805	3,000	4,405
Last Year	1,239,906	30,324	11,917	6,138	2,520	4,320
% Change PWK	0%	3%	-9%	-9%	-3%	0%
% Change LY	3%	6%	-4%	0%	15%	2%
To-Date 2006	10,250,897	249,097	97,914	53,988	25,536	35,121
To-Date 2005	9,850,476	235,377	96,433	51,216	23,382	34,667
% Change YTD	4%	6%	2%	5%	9%	1%

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.60 **Previous Week:** 43.22 **Last Year:** 42.50

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 39.16 **Previous Week:** 39.77 **Last Year:** 39.02

In-Line Production (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES BROKEN		LIQUID WHOLE	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	588,586	46.1%	16,026	49.7%
PREVIOUS WEEK	593,282	46.4%	15,838	50.5%
LAST YEAR	500,727	40.4%	13,315	43.9%

National Liquid Eggs - 03-Mar-06 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	37	20-23	20.89	-.30
WHITES	20	22-25.5	24.95	-.28
YOLKS	17	34-38	35.85	-.68

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 35 to 36 cents fob with pasteurized whites reported at 32.5 cents fob.

Frozen Egg Prices - 03-Mar-06 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot Eastern	Central	Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.) Eastern	South California ²
Whole	36-45 M 38-43	40-43 M 40-42	46-51	46-50
Blends ³	TOO FEW TO REPORT		53-74	-
Whites	35-43 M 38-40	38-43 M 38	43-55	43-46
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	54-58 M 55-57	54-59 M 54-58	61-70	61-64
Salted	51-55 M 51-54	51-55 M 51-54	57-68	58-61

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids0

National Dried Egg Prices - 03-Mar-06 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.32-1.60	1.39-1.45
YOLKS	1.31-1.55	1.35-1.40
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.58-2.90	2.65-2.75
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.25-1.35	1.30-1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 25-Feb-2006

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week 1,054	This week 228	This week 1,282
Last week 1,029	Last week 361	Last week 1,390
Last year 1,511	Last year 315	Last year 1,826
To Date 2006 10,442	To Date 2006 2,137	To Date 2006 12,579
To Date 2005 11,268	To Date 2005 2,547	To Date 2005 13,815

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 18-Feb-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	209	0	40	249
Last year /1	361	0	40	401
To date 2006/2	1,461	40	80	1,581
To date 2005	1,766	0	61	1,827

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 18-Feb-06

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	86	6	0	92
Last year /1	168	45	0	213
To date 2006/2	384	163	0	547
To date 2005	1,663	158	160	1,981

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 18-Feb-06

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	930	1,110	1,488	750	0	4,278
Last year /1	0	10,210	26,619	1,500	602	0	38,931
To date 2006/2	0	4,410	6,450	6,258	3,200	0	20,318
To date 2005	0	38,530	81,304	6,315	1,472	1,500	129,121

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 28-Feb-06

Total All Layers on 01-Feb-06 totaled 349 million, slightly from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-Feb-06 averaged 70.8 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-Feb-06 = 290.8 million, up 1% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-Feb-06 averaged 72.9 eggs per 100 layers, up 1% from 01-Feb-05.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Jan-05 totaled 35.4 million, down 7% from Jan-04.

Eggs in Incubators totaled 33.5 million on 01-Feb-06, down 2% from a year ago.

Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 188,000 during Jan-06, up 6% from Jan-05.

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